

Georgia Emergency Management Agency / Homeland Security (GEMA/HS)

### Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Applicant's Briefing DR-4400-GA



# **GEMA/HS** Mission

#### To facilitate the protection of life and property against man-made and natural disasters by directing the state's efforts in the areas of prevention, preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery.





# Workshop Agenda

- Introduction of Staff and Attendees
- HMGP Application Information
  - Program Overview
  - Available Funds
  - Priority
  - Application Process and Schedule



### Let's Get Started

- Introductions
- Please Include
  - Name
  - Community
  - Agency
  - Project Interest
- Sign In Sheet
- Handouts



# **DR-4400 Statewide Impact**



#### **Impacts of Hurricane Michael**

- Damages primarily to Roads, Buildings, EMCs
- \$2.3 \$2.8 Billion in damages to agriculture
- >450 thousand without power
- 3 Fatalities
- \$350 million is estimated in uninsured losses



### **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program**

- The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) provides grants to States and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration.
- The HMGP is authorized under Section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.
- Since 1990, the HMGP has provided funds to Georgia to invest in long-term actions that reduce damages from future natural hazards.





# **Objectives of the HMGP**

- Significantly reduce or eliminate future risk to lives and property from severe natural hazards
- Provide funds to implement projects identified in State or local hazard mitigation plans
- Enable mitigation measures to be implemented during the immediate recovery from a disaster





# **404 Hazard Mitigation Funds**

- 404 Hazard Mitigation funds are utilized for reducing future damages
- 406 Public Assistance funds are utilized for repairing damages caused by declared disaster
- Any government owned properties or structures damaged during Hurricane Michael cannot be awarded under Hazard Mitigation and should apply for Public Assistance funds.





HMGP funds based on federal funds spent on Public and Individual Assistance programs (less administrative expenses)

- Georgia receives 20% of the total estimated Stafford Act Disaster Assistance
  - State of Georgia Enhanced Mitigation Plan provides for 20% HMGP funding (33% increase)
- Cost Share is 75% federal/25% non-federal
  - $\succ$  State will provide 10% of eligible costs for IA/PA declared counties only
- Will use up to 7% of allocation for planning, up to 5% for initiative, and remainder for projects.
- Current Estimate at \$57.3 million Federal Share
  - Initiative \$2.86 million
  - Planning \$4 million
  - Projects \$450.44 million





# **DR-4400 Funding Priorities**

- Utilize 5% initiative to support warning and communication improvements and state wide generator initiative
  - Equipment and systems for the purpose of warning residents of impending severe weather and hazard events
    - Priority given to mass alert systems
- Utilize planning funds (up to 7% of allocation) to update mitigation plans
- Utilize project funds (up to 88% of allocation) for mitigation activities that reduce or eliminate damages from high winds and flooding.



# **DR-4400 Funding Priorities**

#### **Counties with approved Hazard Mitigation Plans**

- 1. Declared for both IA and PA (20 counties)
- 2. Declared for PA only (49 counties)
- 3. All Non-Declared counties

#### **Prioritization for Project Grants**

- **1.** Generators for essential facilities (Water and Wastewater systems and medical facilities have priority)
- 2. Flood and wind mitigation activities



#### **Declared Counties**



### What Type of Projects Can be Funded?

- Eligible Project Types
  - Voluntary property acquisition and structure demolition or relocation\*
  - Structure Elevation\*
  - Mitigation Reconstruction
  - Dry Floodproofing (Historic/Non-Residential)
  - Generators for Critical Facilities\*
  - Flood Risk Reduction Projects
  - Structural and non-structural retrofitting of existing buildings and facilities
  - Safe room construction\*
  - Infrastructure Retrofit
  - Soil Stabilization
  - Wildfire Mitigation
  - Initiative Projects\*
  - State and Local plan updates\*

\*Indicates projects that are prioritized for DR4400





# **Applicant's Role (Subrecipient)**

#### **Pre-Award:**

- Develops, adopts and updates local mitigation plan
- Submits HMGP Pre-Application/Application to GEMA/HS

#### **Post-Award:**

- Implements project and maintains records and accounting information on awarded projects for three (3) years
- Ensures all project costs are reasonable and in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements governing the use of federal funds
- Complies with all Local, State and Federal Procurement Procedures
  - 2CFR Part 200 (Code of Federal Regulations)
- Complies with all award requirements
- Complies with three (3) year post Acquisition requirements
  - Open Space Monitoring and Audits

### GEMA/HS's Role (Recipient/Pass-Through)

#### Manages overall program within Georgia

- Update the State Mitigation Plan
- Establish mitigation priorities for the disaster
- Solicit Program Interest
- Provide technical assistance to applicants to complete applications
- Review, submit and manage applications to FEMA
- Keep Subrecipients updated on status of all applications to FEMA
- Ensure subrecipients adhere to all program and administrative requirements
- Receive and disburse funds and monitor progress of awarded projects
- Evaluate the effectiveness of approved projects



### FEMA's Role (Federal Awarding Agency)

- Provide programmatic oversight of the HMGP
- Keep Georgia appraised of available funding
- Provide technical assistance to GEMA/HS in support of developing eligible HMGP projects
- Conduct final eligibility review and approve applications for funding
  - Can take up to 12 months to complete review process





# Who is Eligible to Apply?

- Government Entities
  - State and local
- Private Non-Profit Organizations
  - Must have IRS Tax Exemption under sections 501(c), (d), or (e)
- Individuals and business may not apply directly, but eligible local governments or private non-profit organizations may apply on their behalf





# **Project Eligibility Criteria**

- Localities must have current FEMA approved Local Hazard Mitigation Plan prior to HMGP funds being awarded
- Consistent with state and local mitigation plans
- Project(s) must be identified in local mitigation plan
- Project must comply with all FEMA program regulations
- Conforms with environmental, historical, and economic justice issues
- Provides a long-term solution for the community
- Applicant must participate in NFIP and be in good standing
- Demonstrates cost-effectiveness
  - GEMA/HS staff assists with cost-effectiveness

# DR-4400 Application Revised Timeframe

- October 14, 2018 Disaster Declaration (HMGP Statewide)
- July 31, 2019 Pre-Application due to GEMA/HS
- August 30, 2019 GEMA/HS Notification to Applicant for Full Application
- October 31, 2019 Full Application due to GEMA/HS
- January 10, 2020 All Applications submitted to FEMA
- FEMA Application Review Process (up to 12 months)



### **HMGP Plan Update Grant Process**

- Any county requiring a plan update in 2022 has already received an application.
- Declared counties expiring in 2023 will receive an application from their Hazard Mitigation Planner.
  - Pre-application not required
  - Expect application by July 1, 2019
  - Completed application by August 30, 2019







County	HazMit Plan Expiration Date
Banks	6/17/2023
Barrow	9/9/2020
Clarke	7/24/2023
Elbert	7/6/2022
Franklin	3/18/2024
Greene	2/26/2024
Habersham	9/8/2024
Hall	8/24/2022
Hart	7/21/2021
Jackson	2/27/2019
Lincoln	7/13/2020
Lumpkin	11/16/2021
Madison	5/25/2024
Morgan	9/13/2022
Newton	7/14/2020
Oconee	5/6/2019
Oglethorpe	10/28/2019
Rabun	8/27/2023
Stephens	5/6/2019
Towns	3/24/2024
Union	7/12/2021
Walton	5/9/2021
White	7/21/2021
Wilkes	1/28/2024





County	HazMit Plan Expiration Date
Baker	8/22/2021
Brooks	3/25/2024
Calhoun	2/21/2022
Clay	5/23/2018
Colquitt	6/7/2020
Cook	2/18/2019
Crisp	2/22/2021
Decatur	5/1/2022
Dougherty	3/28/2021
Early	6/14/2022
Grady	8/6/2019
Lee	2/4/2021
Lowndes	2/8/2022
Miller	7/25/2021
Mitchell	1/26/2022
Quitman	10/2/2023
Randolph	8/22/2019
Seminole	4/8/2023
Terrell	3/4/2024
Thomas	8/26/2018
Tift	9/23/2022
Turner	11/3/2023
Worth	1/3/2022





County	HazMit Plan Expiration Date
Baldwin	8/2/2023
Bulloch	7/19/2020
Burke	1/4/2020
Candler	12/8/2019
Columbia	11/10/2021
Emanuel	10/19/2020
Evans	10/14/2020
Glascock	12/20/2023
Hancock	4/6/2020
Jasper	5/25/2020
Jefferson	12/29/2019
Jenkins	1/7/2020
Johnson	6/26/2018
Laurens	9/21/2021
McDuffie	10/10/2022
Putnam	11/21/2022
Richmond	10/10/2022
Screven	6/8/2020
Taliaferro	6/7/2020
Treutlen	12/14/2020
Twiggs	6/5/2019
Warren	12/18/2023
Washington	2/12/2024
Wilkinson	7/1/2019





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6/18/2020
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8/9/2022
10/28/2023
5/1/2019
5/6/2020
10/16/2021
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9/3/2019
4/20/2020
6/8/2021
1/16/2024
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9/6/2021
9/7/2020





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Brantley	12/16/2023
Bryan	4/28/2019
Camden	11/9/2021
Charlton	10/23/2023
Chatham	2/4/2021
Effingham	10/28/2023
Glynn	10/9/2023
Liberty	11/14/2021
Long	8/29/2022
McIntosh	2/19/2024
Pierce	12/10/2023
Wayne	10/11/2022





County      Expiration Date        Bartow      1/9/2022        Carroll      7/31/2021        Catoosa      10/17/2022        Chattooga      2/13/2022        Cherokee      2/15/2022        Coweta      3/7/2024        Dade      4/10/2020        Dawson      3/11/2024
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Haralson 6/5/2023
Heard 9/5/2022
Murray 7/10/2023
Paulding 5/1/2022
Pickens 5/11/2024
Polk 10/21/2023
Walker 7/10/2017
Whitfield 1/7/2023





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Clayton	8/2/2022
Cobb	12/11/2021
DeKalb	2/28/2022
Douglas	6/12/2021
Fayette	9/2/2020
Fulton	2/28/2022
Gwinnett	8/18/2020
Henry	4/10/2024
Rockdale	2/20/2019





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Appling	6/10/2019
Atkinson	4/14/2024
Bacon	12/10/2023
Ben Hill	6/16/2019
Berrien	6/10/2019
Bleckley	3/11/2019
Clinch	4/7/2020
Coffee	5/4/2024
Dodge	8/11/2019
Echols	3/17/2024
Irwin	4/16/2024
Jeff Davis	11/18/2019
Lanier	3/19/2019
Montgomery	8/26/2020
Pulaski	1/11/2021
Tattnall	6/14/2020
Telfair	7/24/2019
Toombs	8/6/2019
Ware	12/12/2023
Wheeler	11/3/2019
Wilcox	4/15/2020



### **HMGP Projects Pre-Application Process**

#### From Applicant (Subrecipient):

- Determine preferred project type(s)
  - Project identified in your Local Hazard Mitigation Plan?
- Complete Pre-Application Template
  - Contact Risk Reduction Specialist or visit GEMA/HS Website
- Submit COMPLETED Pre-Application to GEMA/HS by March 1, 2019

#### From GEMA/HS (Recipient & Pass Through):

- Conduct Benefit Cost Analysis
  - Initiative, planning, and SD projects are exempt from BCA
  - If BCA greater than 1.0, full application development may be recommended



#### **Generators/Transfer Switches**

- For Critical Facilities
  - Police Stations, Fire Stations, Water/Wastewater Treatment Facilities, Hospital, Electrical Facility, Emergency Operations Center (EOC), etc.
- Location to determine if in Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
  - Must comply with EO 11988
  - If in SFHA, generator/transfer switch must be elevated to 500 year flood elevation
- Power Outage History
  - Must have minimum of three years weather related outage data
- Generator Data Sheet to be filled out by Certified Electrician
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies
- BCA > 1.0 for Cost Effectiveness



#### **Property Acquisition/Elevation:**

- Flood History of Property with all Flood Insurance Claims
- Substantial damage determination (if applicable)
- Location to determine if in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- Interest of Voluntary Participation Form signed by Homeowner
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies
- Structure Specific Information
  - Building Foundation Type, Use of Building, Square Footage, Building Replacement Value, First Flood Elevation (FFE)

#### Initiative

- Includes Warning Sirens, Mass Alert Systems, Weather Radios and Transfer Switches
- Warning and Communication for the Public, Internal Communication not allowable
- Storm History of desired project area
- Location to determine if in Special Flood Hazard Area (Warning Sirens and Transfer Switches only)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies



#### **Community Safe Room:**

- Must comply with FEMA P-361 Community Safe Room Guidance
- Location to determine if in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
  - Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM)
- Population that will utilize Safe Room
  - Must be sized for population within  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of Safe Room
    - 5 sf/occupant
  - Predominant structure types within ½ mile of Safe Room
- EHP Coordination with State and Federal Environmental Agencies



**Wildfire Projects BCA Information** 

- For Reforestation and Soil Stabilization Projects
  - Number of Acres Mitigated
- For Defensible Space, Hazardous Fuel Reduction, Ignition Resistant Construction
  - Number of buildings protected
  - Replacement value of buildings protected
  - Value of infrastructure vulnerable to fire in project area
  - Value of timber to be sold in project area
  - Fire suppression costs for one typical fire event within project area
  - Number of residents who live within the project area
- BCA > 1.0 for Cost Effectiveness
- Operations and Maintenance Plan required
- Duplication of Programs must be avoided



### **Next Steps**

- Determine Eligible Projects for your Community
- Work with EMA Director and Local Officials
- Consult your Risk Reduction Specialist or Planning
  Specialist
- Review Project Checklist
- Submit Pre-Application by July 31, 2019





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